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SUBJECT: SINGAPORE-AUSTRALIANMILITARY COOPERATION

1. FOLLOWING MY JANUARY 13 CONVERSATION WITH AUSTRALIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER BIRCH ON ANOTHER SUBJECT, BIRCH SHIFTED TO SUBJECT OF SINGAPORE-AUSTRALIAN MILITARY COOPERATION AND OUTLINED SEVERAL FORTHCOMING TRAINING EXERCISES IN WHICH UNITS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES WILL BE JOINTLY INVOLVED. ALTHOUGH THIS INFORMATION MIGHT ALREADY BE KNOWN IN WASHINGTON OR CANBERRA, I THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE USEFUL TO RECAPITULATE AS FOLLOWS:

A. A COMPANY-SIZE EXERCISE IN AUSTRALIA THIS COMING FEBRUARY OR MARCH, TO WHICH SINGAPORE WILL SEND TROOPS;

B. A BRIGADE-LEVEL COMMAND-POST EXERCISE IN AUSTRALIA IN THE LATTER PART OF 1977 OR EARLY 1978;
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C. AN AIR DEFENSE EXERCISE IN AUSTRALIA LATER THIS YEAR, WITH PARTICIPATION OF AIRCRAFT FLOWN IN FROM SINGAPORE;

D. A POSSIBLE AIR DEFENSE EXERCISE IN SINGAPORE, DATE NOT CERTAIN TO INCLUDE AUSTRALIAN F-111S.

2. IN DISCUSSING THESE EXERCISES, BIRCH REMARKED THAT IF SIN-
GAPORE-AUSTRALIAN MILITARY COOPERATION CONTINUED TO DEVELOP
AT THE PRESENT RATE, HE WOULD BE REQUIRING ASSIGNMENT TO HIS
STAFF OF ADDITIONAL AUSTRALIAN DEFENSE ESTABLISHMENT PERSONNEL.
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